

Chair Report – Governing Council

10-2-2020

On behalf of GC I have extended an invitation to Ms Ann Prime, Education Director, Noarlunga 4, to attend our AGM to be held on 30 March 2020 (week 10). Ann has kindly accepted and will spend up to 20 minutes addressing a number of topics including performance measurement and the drilling down of results, demonstrated deep learning and engagements, RES funding, measuring small campus performance, and professional development for staff.

I wanted to do this because Ann's attendance will be promoted to all parents, carers and students who are welcome to attend the AGM; it will be a great opportunity for our community to hear directly from DfE and give context and set the scene for the incoming GC.

Ann and I discussed the merits of a meeting between GC chairs and principals in our partnership to share learnings and experiences and establish connections; Ian and I, with GC's support, will pursue this in 2020.

Letter to the Editor (The Advertiser, Argus, Courier,)

I would like for GC to publicly acknowledge the significant support from our business community for hosting EFS students for work experience placements, traineeships and apprenticeships, given many were/are hosted more broadly than just on the Fleurieu. This is so valuable in helping students make informed decisions about their futures, and provides employers with exposure to our students, too. Draft for feedback:

Dear Editor

At EFS we treasure our strong connection with our business community; we know that access to a skilled workforce is a key economic driver on the Fleurieu. We are fortunate so many business enterprises across the Fleurieu and beyond host our students for work experience, traineeships, apprenticeships, casual and permanent employment. Many businesses and individual contractors sponsor school events and activities, donate their time, expertise, products and services to our school. GC wishes to publicly acknowledge this significant support. This is so valuable in helping our students make informed decisions about their futures. You play a major role shaping these young people into productive members of their local communities and giving them confidence and skills to compete on a global stage. On behalf of school leadership, every parent and caregiver in our EFS community, thank you.

The nomination forms for 8 vacancies on GC from March 2020 have been issued. It would be wonderful to see strong interest in GC, and hopefully a contested election.